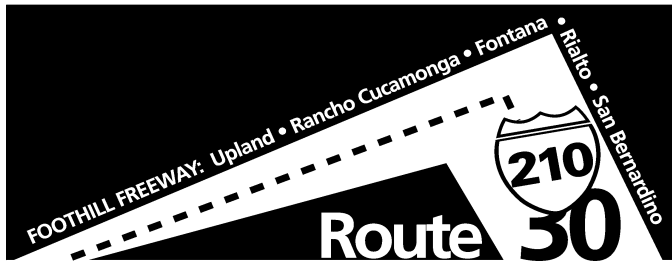


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San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) is a county-wide coalition of elected officials that coordinates regional issues, and is responsible for transportation planning, financing and related programs.

The Route 30/210 project is a partnership between SANBAG and Caltrans.

Both agencies share responsibility for the funding, design and construction of the new freeway.

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SANBAG AND CALTRANS PLAN TO CELEBRATE 15/210 INTERCHANGE OPENING

SANBAG and Caltrans are planning a celebration for the opening of the 15/210 freeway interchange on Friday, July 20. This celebration will focus on the 5.7 mile section of Route 30/210 extending from Day Creek Boulevard in Rancho Cucamonga to Sierra Avenue in Fontana.

Originally the new freeway in both Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties was scheduled to open all at once in 2002. However, Caltrans, who was responsible to build the 15/210 interchange using federal funds, coordinated with SANBAG and the two cities to open this small stretch ahead of schedule. This will benefit the surrounding communities by providing a needed connection to the I-15. The remainder of the freeway is still scheduled for completion in 2002 and is being coordinated between Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties.

The section of freeway to be opened includes on- and off-ramps at Day Creek Boulevard, Cherry Avenue, Citrus Avenue and Sierra Avenue.

There are also dedicated carpool on- and off-ramps at Beech Avenue. SANBAG and Caltrans have conducted traffic modeling to determine how this partial opening will impact local traffic and do not expect any significant congestion impacts as a result of the early opening.

The celebration will include elected officials from both cities as well as state officials. Caltrans will also dedicate and name the 15/210 interchange in honor of William E. Leonard, who played an active role in bringing the Route 30/210 project to fruition and has been a leader in San Bernardino County and California transportation issues.

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Some freeway signage is already in place in anticipation of the 15/210 interchange opening. SANBAG and Caltrans are working toward an August opening to traffic.

CITY NEWS

With the planned opening of the 15/210 interchange in August, focus shifts to the remaining construction projects in Upland and Rancho Cucamonga. Currently, excavation is the order of business as millions of yards of dirt still need to be moved for the freeway to be constructed in a depressed configuration.

One of the many issues SANBAG faces is what to do with the dirt being excavated. In some cases the dirt can be moved within the freeway corridor to other areas where the elevation is currently too low. For example, in Upland dirt is needed to fill some of the rock quarry holes that exist near the Los Angeles County boundary. In other cases, the contractor hauling the dirt has made arrangements with nearby developers that require additional dirt for their project as is the case with the Colonies development between Sapphire and Campus.

Stormdrain construction is also continuing in Rancho Cucamonga on Jasper and will begin on Beryl and Amethyst over the summer. Bridge work will follow on Beryl and Amethyst, which are the last two bridges to be completed as part of the freeway project.



A large amount of dirt is being excavated in Upland and Rancho Cucamonga. A number of huge rocks have been found during the excavation process, including the one pictured above.



Work on the Jasper stormdrain in Rancho Cucamonga involves deep trenching of the residential street as it approaches the freeway corridor. The stormdrain continues under the freeway and connects with the existing stormdrain system which runs along Highland. Construction on Jasper is expected to be completed in early July.



SOUNDWALL ISSUE RESOLVED IN UPLAND

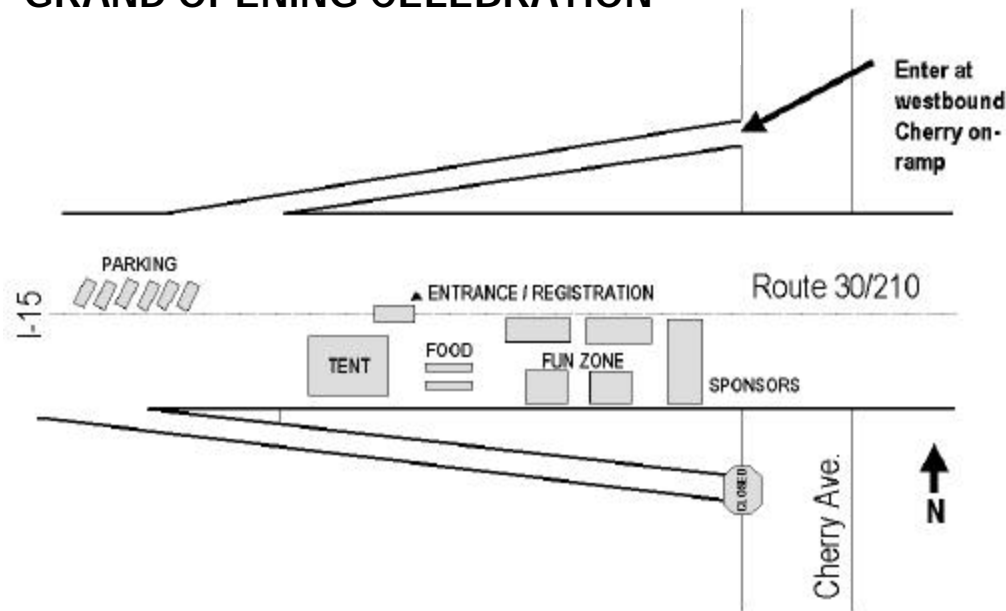
SANBAG recently backed a plan to help fund a soundwall on the north side of the Route 30/210 Freeway between Euclid and San Antonio. This was in response to Upland resident complaints about gaps in the soundwall near their homes. An Ad-Hoc committee was formed to study the issue with recommendations from this group forwarded to the SANBAG Board who are expected to vote to approve the plan.

The soundwalls being proposed would be built with contributions from SANBAG, Caltrans and the city. Each agency would be reimbursed when Caltrans sells surplus property near the area in question.

Residents and participants of "We Want Our Wall" (WWOW) were very happy with the SANBAG decision.



MAP OF THE 15/210 INTERCHANGE GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION



The grand opening ceremony will be held just west of the Cherry bridge on the south side of the freeway. Cars will enter the freeway using the Cherry westbound on-ramp and park on the north side of the freeway. When exiting the ceremony, cars will be allowed to drive west on the Route 30/210 Freeway to Day Creek Boulevard and exit in Rancho Cucamonga.

The ceremony will be followed by a ribbon cutting and photo opportunity under the 15/210 interchange ramps. Food also will be provided as well as activities for children and families in celebration of the interchange opening.

15/210 GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

DATE: July 20, 2001

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Route 30/210 Freeway west of Cherry bridge

RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE 15/210 GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

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Although the ceremony will be held in July, the actual opening of the freeway to traffic will occur in August. Caltrans and SANBAG are completing the final tasks and safety inspections along the corridor. As part of initial safety checks, additional guard rail was required and will be installed at various locations along the freeway.

Landscaping of the completed section of freeway will occur over the next two years as part of a separate contract. Soundwalls along the freeway will be installed with vegetation holes to allow vines to grow on the soundwall block to help negate graffiti and vandalism.



Concrete barriers are being installed along the median of the freeway in anticipation of the freeway opening to traffic in August.

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Temporary Road Closures

- Beryl between Highland and 19th
- Amethyst between Highland and 19th
- Hermosa at Route 30/210 corridor and Highland
- East north of Highland
- Jasper north of 19th



SAFETY TIPS



Please continue to follow all signage and be careful traveling around the construction sites during freeway excavation. Most bridges are completed and have pedestrian walkways on either side. Please use the sidewalks provided and be safe.